

PIPING ROCK RACES TO COME IN OCTOBER

Club Making Arrangements on
Larger Scale Than Ever
Before.

PURSES TO TOTAL \$35,000

Two-year-old Subscription Gets
\$12,500 of It—Events
of Many Sorts.

Racing, so far as New Yorkers are concerned, will not end with the meeting at Saratoga, for the Piping Rock Club is making arrangements to carry out its fall meeting on a larger scale than ever. It was due largely to the sportmen who banded together under the banner of the Piping Rock Club that the present revival of racing came about and the sport was placed on a higher plane than when the horses were raced merely as the means of providing opportunities for betting.

The dates applied for for the Piping Rock meeting are October 11, 15 and 18, and on those days a large amount of money will be distributed in purses. Steeplechases will figure largely in the programme, but the biggest purses will go to the subscription two-year-olds which will take part in two races. The total amount of money raced for will be \$35,000, and of this the two-year-olds will split up \$12,500 for two races. On the opening day the subscription ponies will race at three-quarters of a mile for a purse of \$7,500. Those who failed to win any part of the money with their youngsters in the spring have kept their horses in training through the summer and hope to get their share in the fall.

Another two-year-old race of interest will be for the Heyday plate. This is a private sweepstakes for maidens at the time of entry, which was last week. Joseph E. Davis has given a piece of gold plate for the winner and the subscribers of \$100 each will race for their own money. Each subscriber is allowed to enter two horses, but will have to select the starter to represent him five days before the race. Among the subscribers to this event are Mortimer L. Schiff, W. R. Coe, Edward C. Blum, Simon F. Rothchild and Gifford A. Cochran, all new men in racing.

Chief of the steeplechase fixtures is the Harbor Hill cup, an event borrowed from the Westchester Racing Association, which was a great success last fall when twenty-six entries were received. This race is for three-year-olds and the crop of promising young jumpers is so good this season the steeplechase entry is expected for the coming race. Clarence H. Mackay gives the cup for the Harbor Hill, and a notable addition to the list of owners who race their horses through the field is provided in Thomas Fortune Ryan, who probably will make his debut in this line in the three-year-old event. He has two good young jumpers and will start the best for the cup. Mr. Ryan will give the prize for the Oak Ridge handicap steeplechase, which is named after his racing stable, and another good steeplechase will be the race for the Piping Rock cup.

Variety will be afforded in the championship for galloways, for which Allan Pinkerton will give the cup named after his famous old racer in that division. Hooper Red, from the way in which he has been performing at Saratoga he should have matters all his own way in the galloway race, for which he is eligible. The Desoria plate will be given by Herbert L. Pratt for hawks and hunters, so that few horses able to show speed will be barred from the meeting.

A new feature of the racing this fall is the establishment of a training track on the estate of Herbert L. Pratt, which adjoins the Piping Rock grounds. This is an innovation that will be welcomed by the sportmen who live in the neighborhood and who have had to depend on Belmont Park for training facilities in the past. The new track is perfectly equipped and is three-quarters of a mile. It is a miniature racetrack in every respect, but will be used only for training. All the members of the club having access to the grounds for that purpose. W. R. Midgely, the old jockey, already has taken up his quarters there and has a number of horses in his charge. Cottages are being erected on the ground with the idea of providing accommodation for the owners who wish to see their horses work in the early morning. While the meeting is in progress the horses racing will be stabled at the private training track instead of at Belmont, as forty-one stalls have been built for this purpose.

LEHIGH GETS MODERN FIELD.

Two Hundred Thousand Dollars Being Spent on Improvements.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, Pa., Aug. 16.—Improvements involving \$200,000 are being made on the athletic field at Lehigh University. Giant steam shovels are engaged in clearing away a section of South Mountain. Some 100,000 cubic yards of earth and rock will be removed.

Scores of mechanics are engaged in another part of the field putting up a modern gymnasium, the cost of which will approach \$175,000. In still another part of the field artisans are constructing a concrete grand stand, the total seating capacity of which will be nearly 17,000. This stand will be on the south side of the field. On the north and west sides huge wooden bleachers are being put up, the seating capacity of which will be 2,000. Part of these last stands will be permanent, while the west section will eventually be supplanted by a concrete stand, a replica of the south stand.

When completed Lehigh will have one of the most modern athletic fields in the country. There will be two athletic fields, one above the other. The lower field will be used for football and baseball, while the upper field will have a quarter mile running track, with a straightaway 220 yard dash path. The infield of the running track will be sodded and can be used for lacrosse and other field sports.

CORNELL CLUBHOUSE UNDER WAY

Contract Awarded for \$100,000 Schoellkopf Memorial Structure.

ITHACA, N. Y., Aug. 16.—Construction of a clubhouse for Cornell athletic teams, which is being erected as a memorial to Henry Schoellkopf, the former Cornell football star, is about to begin.

The contract for the \$100,000 structure has been awarded and the architects expect that ground will be broken in a few days. The new building will be located near the football gridiron level of the new Alumni Field and will be so placed that it will be accessible from all of the different fields on the new grounds. A training house is part of the general scheme of development of the new field.

It was planned originally to construct a building where Cornell teams could be housed during training seasons, but this idea has been abandoned temporarily and the Schoellkopf memorial house will be used as a clubhouse for the accommodation of both Cornell and opposing teams, and will contain big locker rooms, an elaborate system of baths and other equipment for the athletes.



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